



TIME CRITICAL DIAGNOSIS

SUBJECT: STEMI Transport Protocol	Chapter: 3. Hospital-STEMI
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PURPOSE: To guide triage and transport of STEMI patients to the closest appropriate designated STEMI center

Step 1

Assess life threatening conditions—serious airway or respiratory compromise that cannot be managed in the field

Yes

Transport to nearest emergency department capable of managing the above condition

No

Step 2

Assess Vital Signs and ECG- If ECG identifies ST elevation in two contiguous leads or LBBB and signs of cardiogenic shock

Yes

Transport to closest Level I STEMI center, unless there is a Level II 30 minutes closer. Consider air/ground transport; call the hospital with MI diagnosis

No

Step 3

Assess transport time to PCI capable center from estimated time of symptom onset.

Group 1

<120 minute (PCI Window) OR
Chest Pain > 12 hours OR
Thrombolytics Ineligible

Yes

Transport to the closest Level I or II STEMI center

Group II

>120 minutes (Outside PCI Window)
No other known complication

Yes

Transport to the closest center (any level)
Consider lytic window in transport decision.